

**MEMORANDUM**

TO: Board Members

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DATE: March 2, 2023

RE: Calendar Year 2022 NCLEX Pass Rates; Application of Rule 4723-5-23, OAC

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Each year, the Board reviews the NCLEX pass rates of pre-license nursing education programs with Full, Provisional, or Continued Conditional approval. NCLEX national and state data are provided by the National Council of State Boards of Nursing.

Rule 4723-5-23, OAC, specifies that each program's NCLEX pass rate is determined by the percentage of a program's first-time test candidates who attempted the NCLEX exam within six months of completing the nursing education program. Rule 4723-5-23, OAC, also establishes 95% of the national average of first-time test candidates as the benchmark pass rate for Ohio.

When a program's pass rate average of its first-time NCLEX candidates who took the examination within six months of their program completion is less than ninety-five per cent of the national average for first-time candidates in the same calendar year, the following shall apply:

- After the first year, the program shall establish a plan indicating action steps to improve the NCLEX scores of its graduates, and submit the plan with the annual report;
- After two consecutive years, the program shall prepare a report that evaluates the plan of action established after the first year of low NCLEX scores, identify additional steps, and submit the plan with the annual report; and
- After three consecutive years, a representative of the board shall conduct a survey visit and the board may take action on the approval status of the program.
- After four consecutive years, a representative of the board may conduct a survey visit and the board shall place the program on provisional approval, or, if the program is on conditional approval status, propose to withdraw conditional approval and deny full approval status according to the procedures contained in Chapter 119. of the Revised Code.

Effective in 2022, the Board adopted a revision to Rule 4723-5-23, OAC, that permits the Board to abstain from changing a program's approval status with respect to its NCLEX pass rates during, or during a relevant time period following, an emergency declared by the state or federal government, or state or local disaster. The U.S. Department HHS issued notification that the federally declared health emergency will terminate on May 11, 2023.

For the Board to consider restoring a program to full approval status after a program is placed on provisional status due to low NCLEX scores, a program shall attain a pass rate for at least two consecutive years that meets or exceeds ninety-five per cent of the national average for first-time candidates who took the examination within six months of completion of the program.

Below is information based on all first-time test candidates in calendar year 2022 and includes the national RN and PN NCLEX pass rate averages; the Ohio RN and PN NCLEX pass rate averages; and Ohio RN and PN program NCLEX pass rates compared to the 95% of the national average benchmark. NCLEX pass rate information from 2021 is in parentheses. Programs with ten or more first time test candidates achieving 100% pass rates are also identified.

## Section 1: Registered Nursing (RN) Education Programs

### Overview and Trends – NCLEX-RN 2022 (2021):

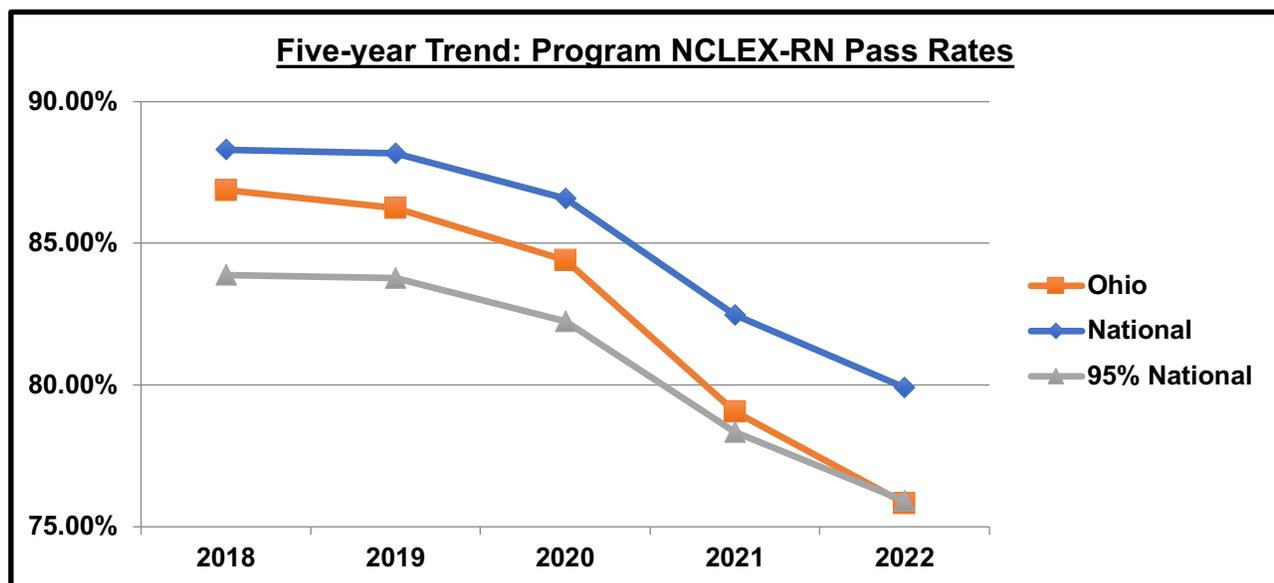
**National average:** 79.91% (82.48%)

- Number of national candidates: 187,983 (185,056)

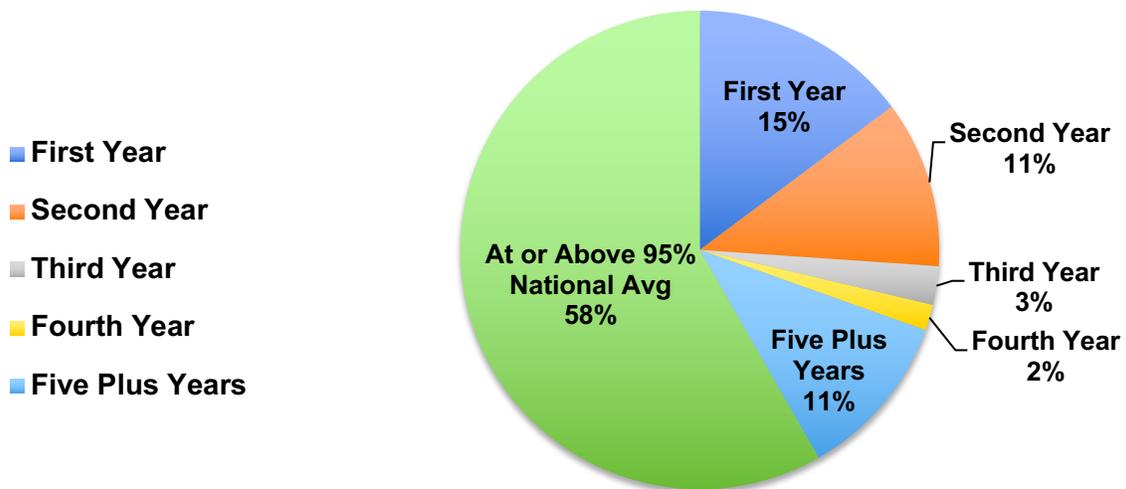
**Ohio average:** 75.83% (79.07%)

- Number of Ohio candidates: 9,397 (9,299)

**95% of national average:** 75.91% (78.35%)



**2022 Summary of Program NCLEX-RN Program Pass Rates**



**100% Pass Rate for RN Programs with Ten or More Students Based on All First Time Test Candidates within Calendar Year**

- Bryant & Stratton College, Nursing Program Akron – 10
- Trinity Health System School of Nursing – 14

**NCLEX-RN Pass Rates Below 95% of National Average Based on First Time Test Candidates within Six Months of Program Completion**

**First Year of NCLEX-RN Pass Rates Below 95% of National Average**

Program Name and Approval Status	2022 Pass Rates	Delivered/Pass/Fail
Bryant and Stratton College Bachelor of Science in Nursing Degree: Full	70%	10/7/3
Cleveland State University School of Nursing: Full	72.51%	171/124/47
EHOVE Career Center LPN to RN Diploma Program: Full	71.43%	63/45/18
ETI Technical College Associate Degree of Applied Science in Nursing: Full	75%	24/18/6

Hiram College, Department of Nursing, Baccalaureate Nursing Education Program: Full	66.67%	21/14/7
Lourdes University, Bachelor of Science in Nursing Program: Full	47.37%	57/27/30
Malone University School of Nursing: Full	68.42%	19/13/6
Mount Carmel College of Nursing: Full	70.15%	201/141/60
Muskingum University Bachelor of Science in Nursing Program: Full	58.82%	34/20/14
Northwest State Community College Associate Degree Nursing Program: Full	75.86%	29/22/7
OIAH Associate Degree RN Program: Full	50%	10/5/5
Professional Skills Institute LPN to RN Bridge Associate Degree: Full	64.29%	84/54/30
Sandusky Career Center LPN to RN Diploma Program: Full	66.67%	36/24/8
The University of Akron School of Nursing BSN Program: Full	66.42%	134/89/45
The University of Findlay, Department of Nursing: Full	72.73%	11/8/3
The University of Toledo College of Nursing Bowling Green State University BSN Program: Full	59.68%	62/37/25
Xavier University Bachelor of Science in Nursing Program: Full	71.93%	114/82/32

**Two Consecutive Years of NCLEX-RN Pass Rates  
Below 95% of National Average**

<b>Program Name and Approval Status</b>	<b>2022 Pass Rates Delivered/Pass/Fail</b>	<b>2021 Pass Rates Delivered/Pass/Fail</b>
Ashtabula County Technical and Career Campus Registered Nurse Program: Full	71.43% 7/5/2	57.14% 7/4/3
Associate Degree in Nursing – Fortis College, Cincinnati, OH: Full	50% 28/14/14	42.86% 35/15/20
Bachelor of Science in Nursing, The Christ College of Nursing and Health Sciences, Department of Nursing: Full	70.87% 103/73/30	77.78% 117/91/26
Chamberlain College of Nursing – Cleveland: Full	62.07% 58/36/22	75.56% 45/34/11
Cuyahoga Community College Nursing Education Center of Excellence: Full	70.13% 231/162/69	77.70% 305/237/68
Felbry College - School of Nursing Associate of Applied Science in Nursing: Full	32% 25/8/17	32.14% 28/9/19
Fortis College School of Nursing Associate Degree in Nursing Program, Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio: Full	55.81% 43/24/19	68.97% 58/40/18

Marion Technical College Nursing Program: Full	72.92% 48/35/13	76.67% 60/46/14
Ohio Medical Career College One Plus One Associate of Applied Science in Nursing: Full	50% 34/17/17	66.67% 18/12/6
Ohio University Associate Degree Nursing Program: Full	70% 110/77/33	69.89% 176/123/53
Shawnee State University, Department of Nursing, Bachelor Degree Program: Full	73.08% 26/19/7	76.67% 30/23/7
University of Cincinnati Blue Ash College: Full	68.09% 47/32/15	63.64% 66/42/24
The University of Toledo College of Nursing BSN Program: Full	75.53% 237/179/58	75.34% 219/165/54

**Three Consecutive Years of NCLEX-RN Pass Rates  
Below 95% of National Average**

<b>Program Name and Approval Status</b>	<b>2022 Pass Rates Delivered/Pass/Fail</b>	<b>2020-2021 Pass Rates Delivered/Pass/Fail</b>
Notre Dame College Bachelor of Science in Nursing Program: Full	71.43% 7/5/2	2021: 66.67%. 12/8/4 2020: 68.75%. 16/11/5
Richard Medical Academy Registered Nurse Program: Provisional	37.50% 24/9/16	2021: 54.17% 24/13/11 2020: 66.67% 6/4/2
University of Rio Grande, Holzer School of Nursing: Full	56.40% 172/97/75	2021: 54.86% 144/79/65 2020: 73.33% 105/77/28

**Four Consecutive Years of NCLEX-RN Pass Rates Below 95% of National Average**

<b>Program Name and Approval Status</b>	<b>2022 Pass Rates Delivered/Pass/Fail</b>	<b>2019-2021 Pass Rates Delivered/Pass/Fail</b>
Akron Campus of Herzing University, Nursing Program: Full	75% 72/54/18	2021: 65.96% 47/31/16 2020: 75.86% 29/22/7 2019: 77.78% 36/28/8
Clark State College - Springfield Regional School of Nursing: Full	70.71% 140/99/41	2021: 75.68% 148/112/36 2020: 75.45% 110/83/27 2019: 78.83% 137/108/29

**Five or More Years of NCLEX-RN Pass Rates Below 95% National Average**

<b>Program Name and Approval Status</b>	<b>Provisional Approval Effective Date</b>
Acadia Career Institute Registered Nursing Program: Provisional	March 2018
American Institute of Alternative Medicine Registered Nursing Program: Provisional	March 2016
Associate Degree in Nursing - Fortis College, Centerville: Provisional	March 2017
Associate Degree in Nursing - Fortis College, Westerville: Provisional	March 2017
ATA College Registered Nursing, Associate Degree Nursing ( <i>Formerly Beckfield College Associate Degree Nursing Program</i> ): Provisional	March 2018
Athena Career Academy LPN to RN Program: Full	N/A

Bryant & Stratton College Department of Nursing: Provisional	March 2017
Collins Career Technical Center LPN- RN Diploma Nursing Program: Provisional	March 2021
Hondros College of Nursing Associate Degree in Nursing: Provisional	March 2017
Mercy College of Ohio, Baccalaureate Nursing Program: Provisional	March 2021
Ohio Medical Career College One Plus One Nursing Education Program (Diploma): Provisional	March 2017
Ross College-North Canton: Provisional	March 2021
Shawnee State University, Department of Nursing, Associate Degree Program: Full	N/A

## Section 2: Practical Nursing (PN) Education Programs

### Overview and Trends – NCLEX-PN 2022 (2021):

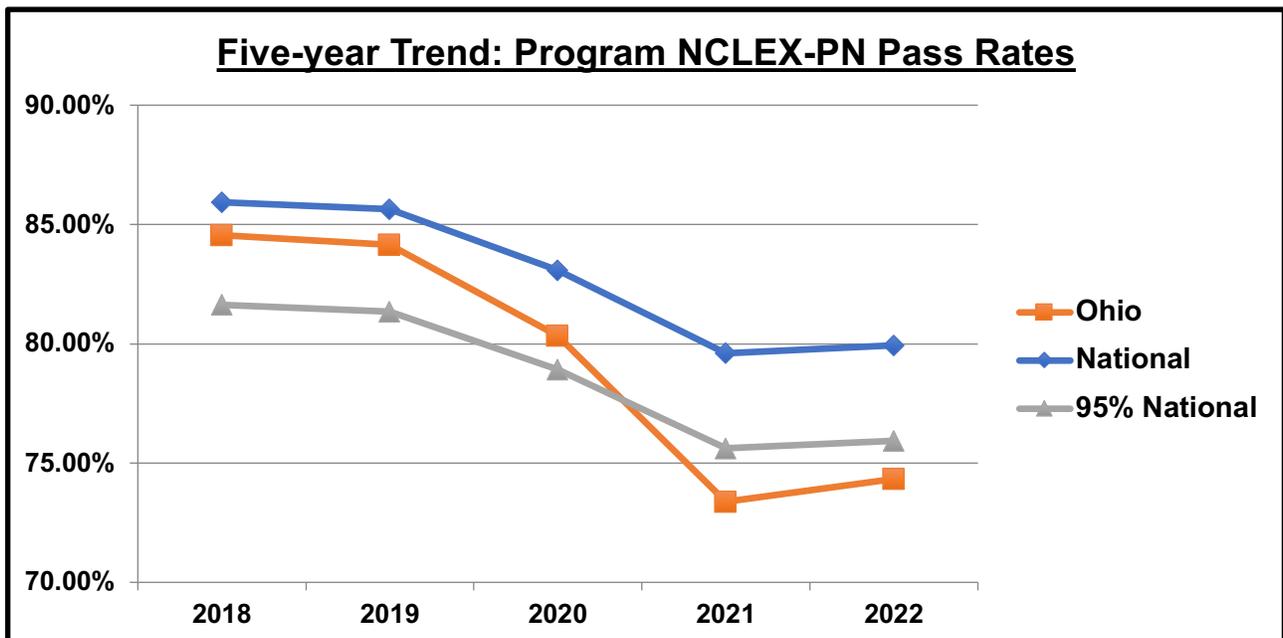
**National average:** 79.93% (79.60%)

- Number of national candidates: 47,634 (46,353)

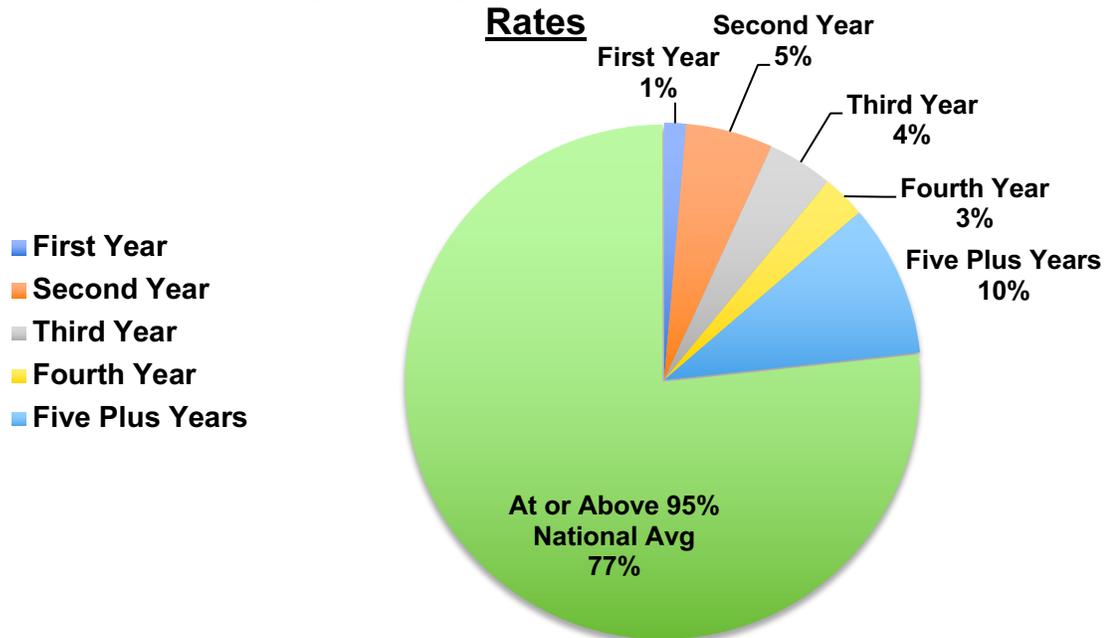
**Ohio average:** 74.33% (73.38%)

- Number of Ohio candidates: 3,175 (3,185)

**95% of national average:** 75.93% (75.62%)



## 2022 Summary of Program NCLEX-PN Program Pass



### **100% Pass Rate for PN Programs with Ten or More Students Based on All First Time Test Candidates Within Calendar Year**

- Auburn Practical Nursing Program – 10
- Eastern Gateway Community College School of Practical Nursing – 11
- Great Oaks School of Practical Nursing – 10
- Lorain County Community College Practical Nursing Program – 19
- Mid-East Career and Technology Center - Adult Education PN Program – 27
- Northwest State Community College Practical Nursing Program – 12
- Southern State Community College Practical Nursing Program – 14
- The Knoedler School of Practical Nurse Education – 23
- Wayne County Schools Career Center Adult Practical Nursing Program – 27

**NCLEX-PN Pass Rates Below 95% of National Average Based on First Time Test Candidates within Six Months of Program Completion**

**One Year of NCLEX-PN Pass Rates Below 95% of National Average**

<b>Program Name and Approval Status</b>	<b>2022 Pass Rates</b>	<b>Delivered/Pass/Fail</b>
Willoughby-Eastlake School of Practical Nursing-High School Division: Full	50%	2/1/1

**Two Consecutive Years of NCLEX-PN Pass Rates Below 95% of National Average**

<b>Program Name and Approval Status</b>	<b>2022 Pass Rates Delivered/Pass/Fail</b>	<b>2021 Pass Rates Delivered/Pass/Fail</b>
Hocking College Practical Nursing Program: Full	No NCLEX Candidates in 2022	2021: 50% 2/1/1 2020: 64.29% 14/9/5
Mid-East Career and Technology Centers, Zanesville Campus High School PN Program: Full	73.33% 15/11/4	57.14% 7/4/3
Stautzenberger College Practical Nursing Program: Full	64.29% 42/27/15	68.97% 29/20/9
The School of Nursing at Cuyahoga Valley Career Center: Full	66.67% 12/8/4	70.59% 17/12/5
Valley College Practical Nursing Diploma Program: Full	49.37% 79/39/40	58.62% 29/17/12

**Three Consecutive Years of NCLEX-PN Pass Rates Below 95% of National Average**

<b>Program Name and Approval Status</b>	<b>2022 Pass Rates Delivered/Pass/Fail</b>	<b>2020-2021 Pass Rates Delivered/Pass/Fail</b>
Central School of Practical Nursing, Inc.: Full	66.67% 18/12/6	2021: 56.25% 16/9/7 2020: 55% 20/11/9
Clark State College Practical Nurse Program: Full	72.88% 59/43/16	2021: 71.43% 56/40/16 2020: 76% 50/38/12
Trumbull Career & Technical Center School of Practical Nursing: Adult: Full	56% 25/14/11	2021: 66.67% 18/12/6 2020: 58.33% 12/7/5

**Four Consecutive Years of NCLEX-PN Pass Rates Below 95% of National Average**

<b>Program Name and Approval Status</b>	<b>2022 Pass Rates Delivered/Pass/Fail</b>	<b>2019-2021 Pass Rates Delivered/Pass/Fail</b>
Athena Career Academy Practical Nursing Program: Full	73.17% 41/30/11	2021: 49.18% 61/30/31 2020: 69.35% 62/43/19 2019: 81.16%. 69/56/13
Bryant & Stratton College Licensed Practical Nursing Program: Full	71.43% 7/5/2	2021: 57.14% 7/4/3 2020: 66.67% 6/4/2 2019: 50.00%. 4/2/2

**Five or More Years of NCLEX-PN Pass Rates Below 95% National Average**

<b>Program Name</b>	<b>Provisional Approval Effective Date</b>
American Institute of Alternative Medicine Practical Nursing Education Program	March 2015
ATA College Pre-Licensure Practical Nursing, Diploma ( <i>Formerly Beckfield College Practical Nursing Program</i> )	March 2019
Felbry College-School of Nursing Practical Nursing	March 2015
Ohio Medical Career College Practical Nursing Education Program	March 2015
Portage Lakes Career Center–W. Howard Nicol School of Practical Nursing	March 2019
Richard Medical Academy	March 2019